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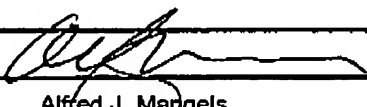
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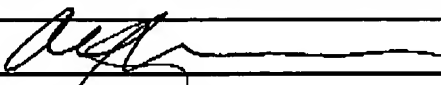
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2006 (Paper No./Mail Date 20060319), in which the examiner imposed a restriction requirement, applicant provisionally elects, with traverse, for prosecution on the merits the invention identified in the Office Action as "I. Claims 1-12 and 14-27, drawn to a cone pulley, classified in class 474, subclass 28."

In addition to the restriction requirement, the examiner required election of a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits. In response to that requirement, applicant provisionally elects the species identified in the Office Action as Species 1, Figures 1-2. The claims believed to be readable on the provisionally elected species are claims 1 through 11.

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It is believed that all the apparatus claims presently in the application, claims 1 through 12 and 14 through 27, should be considered on the merits on the ground they are related inventions that are similarly classified.

The examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney if this provisional election raises any questions.

Respectfully submitted,



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